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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: VADM E. A. Burkhalter, Jr., USN
Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: The DCI's Annual Report to the Congress

1. Action Requested: That you sign the attached memorandum to NFIP Program Managers and other selected members of the Intelligence Community (Attachment A) providing them with a brief background statement on the need to produce material in support of your Annual Report to the Congress. It also includes the Terms of Reference and schedule for producing the report (Attachment B). (U)

2. Background: This year we are suggesting that the Annual Report be keyed to the objectives of the DCI's National Foreign Intelligence Strategy, now in final preparation. This will provide the members of Congress with a current progress report on these key objectives and tie the National Foreign Intelligence Strategy, programming requests, and the Annual Report together on a common reference. (S)

Don Latham has expressed an interest in working with us in assuring the timeliness and quality of the Defense input to the Annual Report and we have accepted his offer of assistance. (C)

3. Recommendation: That you sign the attached memorandum to initiate the Annual Report effort. (U)

E. A. Burkhalter, Jr.
Vice Admiral, USN

Attachments:

- a. Memo for DCI's signature (S)
- b. Terms of Reference (S)

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The Director of Central Intelligence

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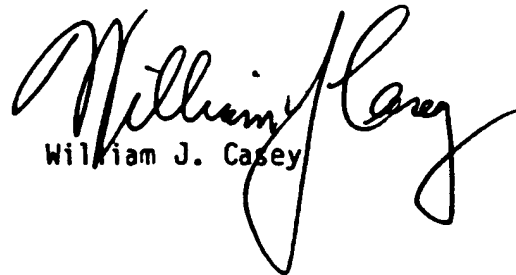
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1. For the last two years I have used the occasion of the Annual Report to Congress as a means to discuss the substantial progress that has been made in rebuilding intelligence capabilities. Given the current resource outlook, however, I should like to alter the focus of the report somewhat this year, and use a set of intelligence objectives and issues as an organizing principle. I do this chiefly for two reasons. First, because I believe that it is imperative for the Congress to have a clear understanding of the difficult issues and problems which face the Intelligence Community. And second, because I should like the Annual Report to echo themes contained in the National Foreign Intelligence Strategy that is being developed. (S)

2. Both accomplishments and shortfalls should be addressed in terms of the organizing topics. This should furnish individual agencies ample opportunity to highlight specific successes and perceived deficiencies. It should also supply a reasonable measure of our abilities, and provide some sense of the value which the nation receives from its intelligence activities. (U)

3. A Terms of Reference for the report is attached; the Intelligence Community Staff will coordinate its preparation. Please provide any comments and the name of your action officer to [redacted], Acting Director of the Planning and Policy Staff [redacted] (U)

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Attachment:
Terms of Reference (S)

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